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Dear Sirs;

I am righting to tell you that I do not believe that this deal that is being offered to Microsoft concerning their monopolistic practices is punishment to them at all. They will be allowed to supply school systems with refurbished computer hardware that will be dependant upon their operating system, guaranteeing them a future customer as the schools will then be locked into their system. Is any consideration going into what systems the schools are currently using? If the school is currently using old Mac systems will they also be including training and support for the staff and students moving to a completely different ,and more complex system. This is also a market place that they have been anxious to get a good foot hold in that is currently their only true competition main market share. Sounds like this deal simply gives Microsoft the oppertunity to do to Apple what it already has done to Netscape. If this was truly punishment they would be made to supply the schools with new systems based by one of their competions like Sun or Apple.

Sincerely ,  
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